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Anna Poss ('05)

Pictured is Director of the Upper School, Mrs. LaVoe Mulgrew, taking a break from her busy day at work.

She is leaving her post at the end of the school year.

End of an era

Mrs. Mulgrew and Ms. Russ step down from leadership positions

Noura Ismail ('07)

News Editor

On November 23, 2004, Head of School Mrs. Ann Teaff announced to the Harpeth Hall faculty that Director of the Upper School, Mrs. LaVoe Mulgrew, and Athletic Director, Ms. Susan Russ, have decided to step down from their leadership positions at the end of the academic year.

Devoting four years as an Upper School English teacher and six as Director of the Upper School, Mrs. LaVoe Mulgrew will be celebrating her tenth and final year of working at Harpeth Hall this May. Mrs. Mulgrew explained that her decision to leave was triggered by many aspects of her life including the fact that her daughter, Annie Mulgrew ('05), will be graduating at the end of the year and leav-

ing Harpeth Hall. Although unsure of what she will do after leaving, Mrs. Mulgrew expressed that she would like to concentrate on other things in her life, especially her family. Mrs. Mulgrew commented that "After 10 rewarding years at Harpeth Hall, I feel it's time for a change. I have loved my work here, both in the classroom and as the Upper School Director. I will miss all my friends on the faculty, as well as the students. I leave knowing that Harpeth Hall is blessed to have such an outstanding faculty and student body."

Serving her 26th year as Athletic Director, Mrs. Susan Russ has requested to step down from her role as Athletic Director at the end of the academic year. But still resume full-time teaching at Harpeth

Hall as well as continue her coaching of Track and Cross Country. Cross Country runner Ashley Ramsden ('07) who has been coached by Mrs. Russ for two years, commented, "Mrs. Russ is the backbone to all of Harpeth Hall's great athletic victories. She's a legacy, and I'm glad that she'll at least continue to be coaching us. I don't know what we'd do without her!"

The Harpeth Hall administration has already begun the process to select two new leaders to take Mrs. Mulgrew and Ms. Russ's place, but the main question is "Who will it be?" Mrs. Teaff said in her announcement that "We celebrate these two great ladies and their accomplishments and are grateful for all they have given Harpeth Hall."

Mark your calendar...

Important dates to remember at Harpeth Hall from December to January

December 13-17
Fall Exams

January 17
School Holiday

December 17
Winter Formal

January 21
Upper School
Student Holiday

December 18 -
January 2
Winter Holiday

January 24
Upper School
Classes Resume

January 3 - 20
Upper School
Winterim

January 5
Art Exhibit.
Ms. Shelly Snow

A note from Mrs. Dora Savelly

Holiday message from a beloved staff member

Marie Maxwell/ Anna Poss ('05)
Dean of Students / Editor in Chief

Mrs. Dora D. Savelly, who has worked in the Harpeth Hall Dining Hall for four years, has been undergoing treatment for cancer. When she asked to make a statement to students, Mrs. Maxwell's advisory interviewed her in October as she worked her morning position as cashier for The Max.

Her message to her beloved students is "thank you". Ms. Savelly said with tears in her eyes, "I don't know what I'd do without the students and faculty. When people I know say that people are bad in this

world, I say, you should meet some of the people at Harpeth Hall School." Mrs. Savelly wants students to appreciate their education. She encouraged, "Obey your

"I don't know what I'd do without the students and faculty."

teachers, love the Lord, and remember you can do anything! You don't realize it now, but when you look back, you will know that your teachers are some of your best friends."

Her message to the

faculty and staff, whom she loves and appreciates, is gratitude for everything they have done for her. Her favorite part of her job is coming to see her co-workers. She wishes to give special thanks to Mrs. Robbin Cross, "the best boss in the world," Mrs. Anne King, Mrs. Janet Baxter, Mr. Picksley Cheek, Ms. Ann Teaff, and Mrs. Judy Lowe, a family friend who took her on a trip to the Smokies for her birthday, November 10. She also gives thanks for a recent surprise gift from the Advancement Department, a DVD player.

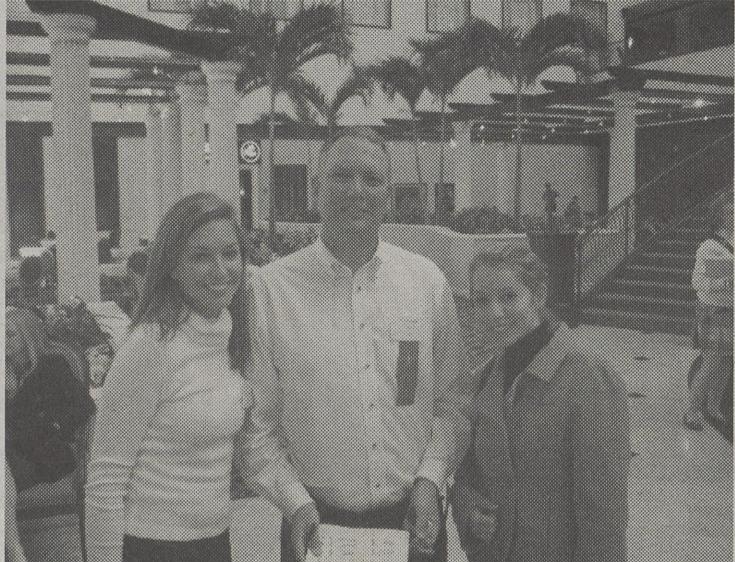
A Weekend of Fun

51 Harpeth Hall students attend Model United Nations

Diane Uwamahoro ('07)
Staff Writer

A group of 51 Upper School girls ventured to the extravagant Hilton Hotel, accompanied by Mr. Springman, Ms. Cummings and Dr. Myers, to attend the annual Youth Model United Nations Conference this November. Mary Ross Bryant ('05) said "It was such a great experience; where else could you beat the MBA boys in a debate?" It was not all work and no play; the weekend was filled with fun dances, but exciting walks downtown with friends and best of all, no adults.

This year, Model United Nations was a very challenging and mind changing experience. Every day, the attending students had several sessions that were each about three hours long with time for breakfast, lunch, dinner and dances in between. The sessions progressed from Sub Committee to Committee, to the General Assembly. The girls were separated into different sub committees where they argued the resolutions of their specific countries that



Katie Fredericks ('06), Mr. Springman, and Melissa Neal ('06) while at YMCA's Model United Nations conference held at the downtown Hilton.

they had been preparing for several weeks prior to the event. Kristie Chang ('05) stated, "Getting up and saying your resolution was a piece of cake, the hard part was answering unexpected questions about your country."

The last session was the General Assembly where all countries met, and the best resolutions from the different commit-

tee were presented once again. This process would get very boring and to pass time, one could often find people passing notes, doodling or meeting fellow delegates.

Model UN is a unique experience; one comes out with a better insight of the current events in the world as well as meeting other people from different schools.

Questions, Questions

Harpeth Hall students attend Quiz Bowl Tournament

Noura Ismail ('07)
News Editor

At 7:30 a.m. on October, Melissa Kim ('07), Margaret Walker ('06), Noura Ismail ('07), and Bracey Stewart ('06) gathered to compete at the annual Quiz Bowl Tournament at Vanderbilt University. The group was one of 51 varsity teams at the competition and participated in four rounds while being coached by Conceptual Physics teacher, Dr. Huddleston. Each round consisted of 20 questions ranging in topics from Hamlet to Physics to the Real World to the components of DNA.

Harpeth Hall totaled 235 points out of 1280, beating Fleming Co. B Academy in Alabama during the fourth round by 20 points. In response to the scores, Quiz Bowl President, Melissa Kim ('07), commented, "Even though we didn't obsessively prepare for the tournament like our opponents, we did fairly well regardless of how much we

scored." In fact, Apollo school in Lexington, Kentucky mentioned that many of the students attend a summer camp for preparation of the tournament for several months. "We were there for a good time,

and it was interesting to see how much random information we knew," added team member, Margaret Walker ('06).

After four hours of intense competing, the team celebrated their achievement by eating at the Mellow Mushroom downtown. Melissa Kim ('07) said, "Although we only won one round, it was still a great experience, and we are all



Noura Ismail ('07), Melissa Kim ('07), Margaret Walker ('06), and Bracey Stewart ('06), after their last round of the Quiz Bowl tournament held at Vanderbilt.

very proud of our achievement."

The next tournament will be held in February 2005. For anyone interested in participating in this or any future Quiz Bowl tournament, contact Quiz Bowl president, Melissa Kim ('07) and/or attend any Quiz Bowl meeting, which will be held periodically.

That Time Again

A look inside 2004 fall exams

Noura Ismail ('07)
News Editor

The invisible and extremely stressful wall that obnoxiously stands in front of the long desired winter break has finally arrived and cannot be ignored: exams. In fact, Meredith Byrd ('07) commented, "It seems like it was just yesterday when I was at the beach enjoying my summer. This year is going by so quickly, and I can't believe it's already time for exams!"

A recent poll was taken by a Harpeth Hall sophomore to see how Upper School teachers prepare their exams. Out of the approximate 30 teachers who will be administering exams, 18 responded. One question asked whether the teacher has made the exam, and if so, how long it is. As of November 23, 72% of the teachers who responded that they had not completed making the exam, but most explained that they have begun and have a clear picture as to what will be on it. On average, teachers estimated their exam would take up to one hour and a half and run to an average of 10 pages, more or less. Interestingly, all English, language, history, and science classes will include at least one essay if not more.

Naturally, in most of the language classes, teachers

commented that the spring exam will contain cumulative information from fall semester, but other classes like Dr. Henderson's World History class and Mrs. Vest's regular and AP chemistry classes will be cumulative as well. English teacher, Mrs. Grimes, also explained in an e-mail that, "Themes and basic literary information will carry over, although specific details regarding specific literary works will not."

Scantron, a method of using a multiple choice answer sheet that is graded through a machine, will be used by 35% of the teachers who responded, but as Blair Carter ('07) emphasized, "Scantron can be very annoying as it is hard to see and allows one to be prone to messing up. I like the traditional ways of circling an answer, and then a teacher hand grading it much better."

This year's fall exams will take place from Monday, December 13 to Friday, December 17. As Melissa Kim ('07) stated, "At least after five grueling days of slaving away for exams, we can look forward to the awesome time we'll have at Winter Formal and two weeks of winter break.

Fall 2004 Exam Schedule

Monday, Dec. 13th

8:30 a.m.

European History (AP & Reg)
American History (AP & Reg)
World History-Richards Room
Religions of the World
American Government
Contemporary Issues
Psychology

Tuesday, Dec. 14th

8:30 a.m.

Chemistry (AP & Reg)
Physics (AP & Reg)

1:00 p.m.

Biology (AP & Reg)
Ecology
Conceptual Physics

Wednesday, Dec. 15th

8:30 a.m.

Algebra II
Precalculus
Statistics
Geometry
Algebra I
AP Calculus (AB & BC)
FST

Thursday, Dec. 16th

8:30 a.m.

French (except French I)
Latin
Spanish
French I

Friday, Dec. 17th

8:30 a.m.

English I, II, III, III A,
IV, & IV AP

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top ten...

Signs that your favorite shows are more important than your homework

Taylor Sitzler ('05)
Features Editor

You tried to explain to your English teacher that you *really can't* have tests on Fridays.

1 You have to have dinner with the girls before the OC comes on at 7, and *who knows* what kind of emotional state it will leave you in.

2 You actually know the difference between *Law and Order*, *Law and Order SVU*, *West Wing*, *CSI*, *Cold Case*, and *Boston Legal*.

3 When talking about your friend's relationships, you find yourself saying, "They are so Rachel and Ross. Totally destined."

4 You really think MTV should do a reality show about life at Harpeth Hall. You and your friends are planning to make a video to send.

5 You really relate to LC. Kristen is such a monster. Come to think of it, she reminds you of that underclassman who stole your boyfriend...

6 Samantha's relationship with Jones inspired you to ask a younger guy to Winter Formal. But what would Charlotte think?

7 You tried to attend the wedding of *Real World: New Orleans* alum Kelly Limp and former *Party of Five* heartthrob Scott Wolf (aka Bailey Salinger).

8 You wake up 30 minutes early in the morning so that you can watch an episode of *Saved by the Bell* on TBS before school.

9 You record *Desperate Housewives* every Sunday night. If a friend wants to borrow an episode, she must sign a form guaranteeing the tape's safe return within 5 nights (2 nights for new releases).

10 The most heavily decorated page in your assignment book is Thursday, November 4 (Duh...the OC Season Premiere).

Grace's Picks

Grace Wright ('08)
Staff Writer

This winter break, Grace suggests that you curl up by the fire with one of these books:

The Princess Diaries

By Meg Cabot
Many little girls dream about becoming princesses, but not Mia Thermopolis! Mia finds, however, that life is full of surprises. The language and flow of the story is gripping and will keep you hooked, yelling at her and cheering her on at the same time. It is a good read all around and very satisfying at its finish, or at least satisfying enough to have to finish the series immediately. Meg Cabot is a brilliant writer and I also would recommend any of her other works.

The Black Trillium

By Marion Zimmer Bradley
This is this saga of three

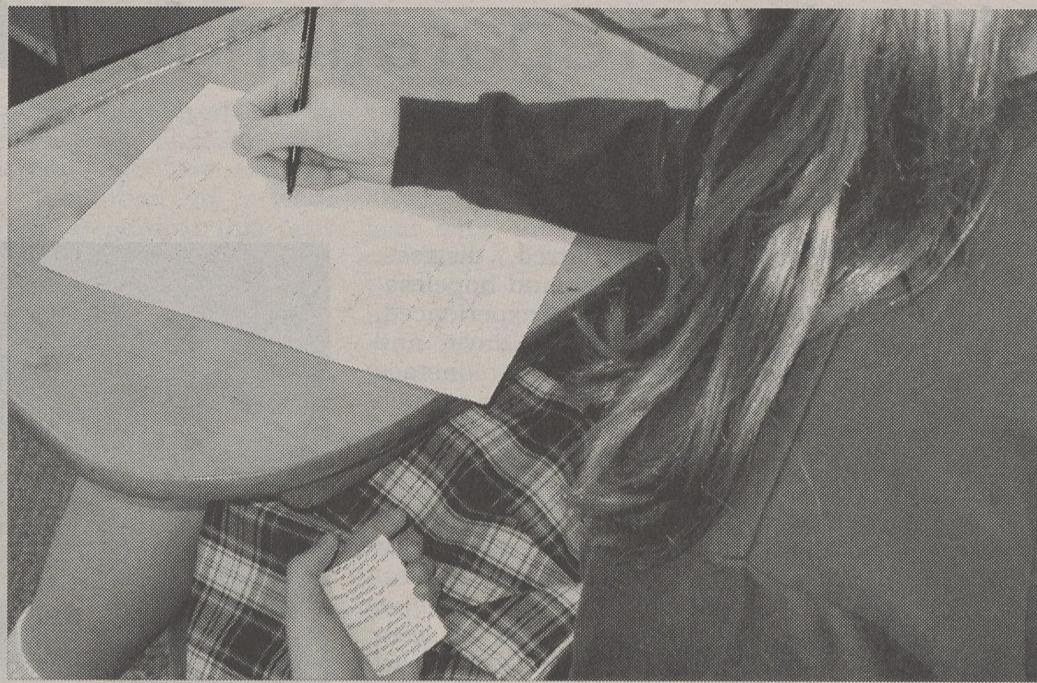
sisters, princesses of a troubled realm, who have to grow out of themselves to find a way to save their kingdom. It is told with the sweetness of a bedtime fairy tale and the rich tone of quest fantasy. Ms. Bradley perfectly blends her story, turning it into an unforgettable epic.

The Arkadians

By Lloyd Alexander
In Alexander's usual fashion, this is another brilliant work of literature. Mr. Alexander takes us to the land of Arkadia, a world teeming with shadows and Greek mythology. The characters are unforgettable and unique, and the story is full of old lore and witty hilarity. A good read all around, but I recommend that you know a little basic Greek mythology in order to enjoy all the allusions.

Cheaters Never Prosper

Aly Armistead ('05)
Staff Writer



Molly McCullough ('05), Photo Editor

If you know a classmate has violated the honor code, you should notify a teacher or an honor council member.

Imagine that you are taking a test with fifteen classmates. You're seated within inches of one another, and the teacher has left the classroom. While brainstorming for your essay, you glance up from your paper. The girl seated in front of you is clearly staring at someone else's test.

The Harpeth Hall community is blissfully unaware of how common this scenario is. In a voluntary anonymous survey of Upper School students, 43% of participants admitted to copying answers from another student's quiz. 10% said they had looked at a classmate's paper during a major test. A substantial 13% of participants admitted to cheating regularly. Out of the 40 students surveyed, six said that they did not think that cheating was wrong. One girl wrote an explanation. She said that cheating was acceptable "because this school is so hard."

Surprisingly, the situation at Harpeth Hall is just the tip of the iceberg. A recent survey by The Center for Academic Integrity estimates that nearly 80% of all college students have cheated at least once. While at Harpeth Hall most girls consider cheating shameful, even if they have done it themselves, some students from MBA and area public schools accept cheating as something that "everyone is doing."

Harpeth Hall places a strong emphasis on honor and integrity and asks students to sign an Honor Code at the beginning of the year and to sign a pledge upon the completion of major assignments.

It is upsetting to hear that many girls are willing to compromise their honor by breaking these written agreements. Teachers and students seem to have blind faith in our Honor System. They are naïve and fail to see the honor violations occurring

right under their noses.

While cheating is not running rampant at Harpeth Hall, it is a more serious problem than some realize. To counter this problem, we must look at what motivates students to cheat and the ways that we as a community enable cheating. Obviously the biggest motivators for cheating are laziness and pressure from school, society, or parents to succeed, or more specifically, to get into a good college. As hard as it may seem, we must find a way to impress upon our student body that failing honestly is commendable, while cheating your way to success is despicable. Teachers, administrators, and parents should make it clear to girls that honor is more important than immediate success. Working together, we can eliminate cheating at Harpeth Hall before it becomes an epidemic.

Aly's Advice to Teachers



Students have your old tests and quizzes. Change them from year to year!

Do not leave your classroom during a test. A student is far less likely to cheat when she

knows you are watching. Pay attention! The more a student cheats, the more confident she becomes in her abilities. She may be more likely to make herself obvious.

Space your students apart during tests. If they object, they must have something to hide. It is in everyone's best interest to discourage cheating.

Don't trust students. Even girls who you think are intelligent and motivated could be cheating.

Make a case to the honor council every time you sus-

pect a student of cheating. This is the only way that girls will understand the consequences of their actions.

Encourage students to write the full pledge on tests, quizzes, labs, and papers. If students are rushed, tell them to write "I pledge I was honest." Post a copy of the pledge over the white board in your room.

Be aware that students often cheat on take-home assignments. Ask parents to proctor take-home tests and sign their names on their daughters' tests.

The Madness of Hedda Gabler

Inside the preparation for HH's fall drama

Mary Susan Sinclair ('05)
Staff Writer

It's the middle of September, and I'm standing in a theatre, dressed in a costume and hoping to God that I remember my monologue. And so it follows, I'm at the auditions for the Harpeth Hall Fall play, *Hedda Gabler*.

I have to admit I had my reservations about trying out. But I stepped up on the stage, along with everyone else, and I braved the dreaded audition period. Then the cast list was posted, the little list that decides whether you will be happy or fall heavily into the pit of despair. I am fortunate to say that I was happy to be cast as the lead, Hedda Gabler.

And so, on I went to the first day of rehearsal, a read-through of the entire script, which, by the way, was the last time until tech week that we managed to finish the entire play in one rehearsal. I realized then that my script would be attached to me at all times for the next month, possibly even sitting under my pillow as I attempted to learn my lines by osmosis. I also met the six actors, stage manager, assistant stage manager, and director who would be my family...or inmates depending on how it all turned out.

How can I describe the rehearsals for *Hedda*? There are no words sufficient to capture the feelings

of love, hatred, distress, exhilaration, and hopelessness that we experienced. The first few days and weeks were spent onstage without blocking, which may sound a little strange to those of you who know theatre. Our beloved Mrs. Klocko had decided, based on her experiences at a mysterious theatre conference in Cincinnati, that we would now block our own show organically. Yes, organically. We did what felt natural for the first few rehearsals, and then followed that up with a week or two of run-throughs without being allowed to stop moving... no matter what. Needless to say this was exhausting, and also worrying. But, even with our extreme doubt, I was surprised to see that in the final product, much of our blocking was actually what we had discovered during those "new age" rehearsals.

Hedda Gabler was a unique play. It was a small yet intimate cast, a deep and psychological drama, and a monster of a play. We, as a cast, broke many traditions. The headshot board was no longer pictures of the characters in the play, but pictures of us...the actors. The poster was a picture of me, in a wonderfully sexy wig let me tell you, later sported by Berte (Liza Darwin) during the play.

We researched *Hed-*



Lynn Rutherford

The cast and crew of *Hedda Gabler*, a small but powerful group of 17 students from Harpeth Hall and Montgomery Bell Academy

da thoroughly, listening to our very own Dr. Echard as he informed us about Henrik Ibsen and the late nineteenth century in Norway (yes, he does know everything), and conducting our own research in books and online. We sat for many nights discussing the play itself, the motives and hidden subtext of each character. I have to say that all of this research and attention to detail was what lent to such a great show.

But however researched, prepared, and informed we were, nothing was more important to the

show's success than our tightly knit cast. Although we had our dramatic moments, disagreements, and even fights, we were amazingly devoted to each other. Each one of us was forgiving onstage and off. We were all there for each other. I can never put into words the weeks of absolute hilarity, joy and drama that we had together. How the corsets, yes, *real* corsets (with their instructions in German) felt, and how Annie Mulgrew screamed and nearly broke my hand while getting hers tightened for the first time, or how Bruce

Miller (the secret love of one of our members) helped our cast bring out some of the, well, let's say...motivation of certain scenes in the play. I could go on for hours.

Bowing for the last time on Saturday night was the best feeling in the world. Knowing that we had accomplished this play together made it all the more special. I know that nothing will ever take the place of this play, but then again every production is different. And although it is over, I have the memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.

The five albums everyone should own, says Claire

Claire Berry ('05)
Copy Editor



I was a little hesitant to write this article. Why should anyone care what music I listen to? While my taste in music isn't exactly run of the mill, I do not consider it to be especially intriguing. My favorite artists aren't bohemians living in holes, nor do their concerts involve multiple costume changes. Nevertheless, I hope my readers will accept this modest list for what it is—a few quirky examples of what I listen to on the way to school in the morning.

1) **The Beatles**. *The White Album*, The Beatles. If there is a man, woman, or child on Earth who is not yet familiar with this album, I weep for him or her on a daily basis. The Beatles were my first love. I passed many a rainy day when I was ten lounging on the futon, listening to The White Album on LP, a vintage vestige of the days when my father was pretending to be a hippie. *The White Album*, in my opinion, is just as important to humanity's history as say, the Mona Lisa.

2) **Scarlet's Walk**, Tori Amos. I'm a novice Tori Amos fan; I bought this album on a whim, and it's the only one of hers I own. *Scarlet's Walk* is a flawlessly-cut, multi-faceted diamond. The songs

are lyrically, musically, and thematically beautiful. Basically I like to pretend like I am Tori Amos as I cruise around town in my cherry-red station wagon, howling along at the top of my lungs. *Scarlet's Walk* made up my mind—I want to be Tori when I grow up. Period, paragraph.

3) **OK Computer**, Radiohead. Every once in a while, an album is released that contains no bad songs. *OK Computer* is one such album. It's a little eerie, a little weird. I like it because it bridges the gap between its more mainstream predecessor *The Bends*, and its progeny, *Kid A*, which is at times a bit too electronically driven for my taste. *OK Computer*, however, in all of

its haunting, moody glory, is the unhappy medium.

4) **Whole New You**, Shawn Colvin. If I can't be Tori Amos when I grow up, being Shawn Colvin would suffice. For those who are trying to remember at this point where they have heard that name before, let me give a hint: *Sunny Came Home*. Unfortunately, that 1994 hit seems to be the only Shawn Colvin tune the general populace recognizes. *Whole New You*, her 2000 release, is, like *OK Computer*, a perfect album. Her smart songwriting and unorthodox instrumentation make for an interesting whirlwind tour of the human experience. Quirky and ironic, she's my favorite chick singer.

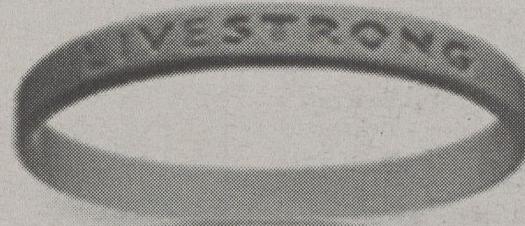
5) **The Best of ABBA**, ABBA. I admit it: this is shameful. But as my Art IV and Calculus BC classes already are aware, ABBA is my "happy music", the only sure-fire pick-me-up I know. I'm not the only one. Back when it was okay to be a Swede in a unitard, Mr. Wert was grooving to ABBA at high school dances. Sarong-wearing sophisticate Ellen Davis, a senior, has been known to thrill her fellow classmates with off-the-cuff performances of "The Winner Takes It All". ABBA may not be ingenious, musically valuable, or even socially acceptable now, but I just can't help smiling when I hear this effervescent Scandinavian pop.

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Wristband Revolution: Live Strong

Consumer craze or lasting tradition?

Molly Campbell ('06)
Staff Writer



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This bright yellow band can be seen on millions, including former Presidential candidate John Kerry.

That unmistakable yellow is everywhere – but why? Why do a significant group of people not only in American society at large, but in the Harpeth Hall community, wear Live Strong bracelets?

Are these bracelets just a fad that will eventually die out, or will they continue their success streak and have a

lasting impact on society? Before criticizing these bracelets, consider their similarity to past fads, such as Baby G watches and Kate Spade purses – undoubtedly, there is none.

Live Strong bracelets are different because they support a very worthy cause. While fads are essentially insignificant and temporary, Live Strong

bracelets are proving to be the exact opposite, and therefore do not embody the definition of a fad.

Beginning this past May, Live Strong bracelets, a product of the Lance Armstrong Foundation, have succeeded in spreading a simple message with huge meaning: "Live Strong".

Lance Armstrong, a cancer survivor, has beaten the odds and amazed the public with his impressive cycling career following his battle with cancer, earning his title as the Tour de France bicycle race champion not just once, but six times. His cycling jersey is yellow, which is the reason behind Live Strong bracelets' yellow color. The goal of the Lance Armstrong Foundation is to raise mon-

ey for cancer research, support, and education.

It seems that the organization has struck gold with these bracelets, creating a cheap product that has become popular and moved consumers; so far, 17 million bracelets have been sold.

Live Strong bracelets are worn by famous actors, athletes, politicians, and moreover, the general public.

Harpeth Hall's own Caroline Hale, ('05), a cancer survivor herself and an inspiration to many, says "It is shocking how fast the bracelets have spread – they're all over the country. Every time I see one around – whether it is on someone's wrist in the news or a little boy's wrist in the mall – it just reiterates my belief that there are so many peo-

ple out there who believe we can find a cure. We all have someone in our lives who has been affected by cancer – this common search for a cure that we all have really helps to unite the American people in a way that nothing else has before."

Grace Herbert, ('06), remarks, "They represent finding a cure for cancer while also encouraging unity by bringing everyone together for a common cause." Grace takes the inscription "Live Strong" very literally, saying, "These bracelets motivate us to live strong in every aspect of life".

If you thought that Live Strong bracelets were a pointless fad, ultimately standing for nothing, think again.

Spaces promises to be a couture heaven

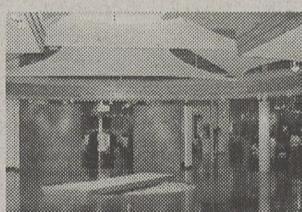
Allison Wiseman ('05)
Staff Writer

The Nashville landmark that was once McClure's is gone, and Harris Teeter's new neighbor is something called Spaces. What would possibly replace this trusty department store? Logos investigates.

As you walk through the doors of Spaces you are confronted not by ample racks of Juniors' dresses but by a simple, streamlined layout with a calming rock garden as its focal point. You are amazed to see a delicious sampling of

luxurious clothes, shoes, and handbags. Each section houses a different genre of fabulous merchandise ready for your perusal.

And then it clicks: the name Spaces lends itself perfectly to the novel layout – no doors! You are able to drift easily from a shoe boutique into an area entirely devoted to bath products.



Spaces, a new shopping center, is located in Belle Meade.

All of a sudden you find yourself surrounded by chic maternity wear, followed by adorable pet accessories. Without knowing

how it happened, you have entered stores that you might otherwise have passed by, which is what is so appealing to the owners of

Judi Winfield-Ferri,

owner of Indulge, which Spaces incorporates, loves the setup because "It is very inviting; [it's] not structured."

I t attracts additional demographics that might not otherwise visit the boutique, but end up at least scanning their merchandise as they move from one space to another.

And as a bonus, you will love the products and clothing you'll find there. To give a sampling: Duets is a store that specializes in clothing you'd find at Nei-

man and Fred Segal; the owner gets everything from either New York or L.A.

Bari Chase, a shoe boutique, boasts designer labels from BCBG to Marc Jacobs. And Come Sit Stay is the fashionable dog's heaven. This easily accessible cluster of fabulous boutiques has something for everybody that you probably can't find anywhere else. Though McClure's is gone, Spaces will provide a fresh alternative for shoppers of varying ages and interests.

Firefly fills niche for a local and relaxed restaurant

Monisha Chakravarthy ('06)
Staff Writer

What used to be known as Deer Park Grille now has become a more casual dining experience, but it still retains many of its old elements. Nestled between the Davis-Kidd bookstore and the Bamboo clothing shop on Bandwood, Firefly Grille is a slightly more obscure restaurant of the Green Hills shopping area, but it seems to be popular enough.

From the moment you arrive, this fact is apparent. Parking is limited, and in fact, overcrowding is a recurring theme in this little place. The décor seems to be vaguely reminiscent of Deer Park, although I did not initially notice it. The wild assortment of mirrors, blazing colors, and

exotic drapes give the place a quirky punch, but the dim lighting and the constant flow of people on busy nights can become a bit overwhelming. The menu (which is changed daily) is posted on whiteboards throughout the restaurant, and when I visited I found it a little awkward trying to order off of these. The waiter had to recite from memory the ingredients and techniques used for the 7-10 dishes on this menu, and I had a little trouble remembering which was what.

The menu consists of what one might call "Relaxed Fine Dining": Not exactly your standard hot wings and fries ensemble, but none of those fancy dishes with a quarter-size

dollop of food in the center of an excessively garnished plate. They serve both familiar favorites like spaghetti and meatballs and more elaborate culinary adventures like the dish I ordered, a salmon dish cooked multiple ways and doused with so many spices and sprinkles I could hardly make out whether it was fish or not. Desserts are certainly a highlight on the Firefly menu. Almost every dish puts a twist (or about 8 twists) on a classic, making even the picky eaters feel more at ease. Portions are fairly large, and prices range from 10 to 25 dollars, making Firefly less expensive than its predecessor, but still on the pricey side for the av-

erage teenager. The service is prompt and friendly, but not overly familiar.

The ambience of Firefly is bustling and inviting. A cozy haven tucked away from the more obvi-

ous choices, this restaurant sets itself apart with its food and style, and while it still has a bit of refining to do, its faults are nothing that would distract you from eating your sumptuous meal.



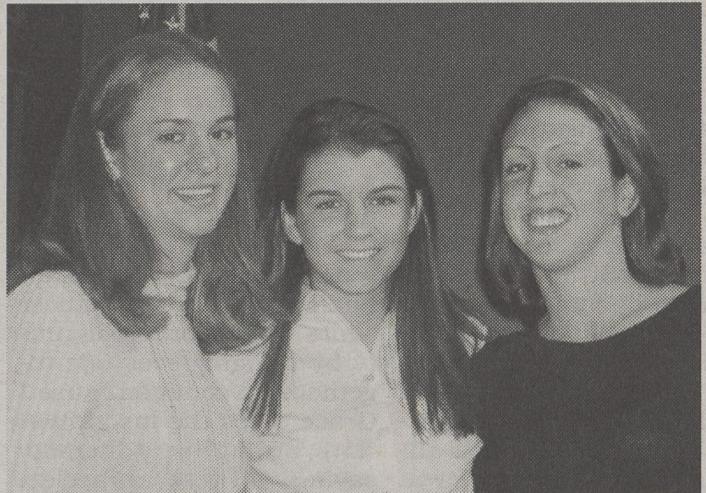
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Firefly Grille has a cozy interior in addition to its inviting menu, making it a welcome new member into the elite group of Green Hills dining establishments.

Four seniors discuss recruiting

Tiger, Paladin, Hoosier, and Longhorn signed

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Sarah Baker ('05), Whitney Downs ('05), and Caitlin Heyman ('05)

Four seniors well familiar with the recruiting process are basketball players Whitney Downs ('05), who will play for Princeton University, Sarah Baker ('05), who signed with Furman University, and swimmers Caitlin Heyman ('05), who will swim for the University of Indiana and Jacqueline Martin-Lacey ('05), who was recruited by the University of Texas at Austin.

The recruiting process is similar for both basketball and swimming. For both, the rules surrounding recruitment are regulated by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), a non-profit organization "through which the nation's colleges and universities govern their athletics programs". The NCAA is broken into three different divisions, Division I, Division II, and Division III, depending on the high school and sport. The NCAA begins to review and con-

tact potential college athletes once they enter high school, but a fundamental rule restricts communication with athletes to letters only.

Perhaps due to the extensive publication of high school individuals who were recruited into high profile positions, such as NBA Cavaliers player LeBron James, the notion that colleges will recruit athletes simply for playing the game is widely-held. With the exception of a few highly gifted individuals, however, the majority of athletes must promote themselves.

One avenue is through the wide world of technology. The search results for "high school recruiting" through any search engine are mind-boggling. According to the National Scouting Report, a web site that bears the subtitle "The World's Leading Recruiting Authority", "Recruiting has become very competitive and much more

sophisticated... You can no longer be assured of being recruited just because you were recommended by your coach or just because you had a good season... The only way to do this for most people is to aggressively promote your abilities and qualifications. If you qualify, National Scouting Report can do this for you."

A more difficult route to attract the attention of recruiters is to set records or qualify for certain distinctions in a sport. Jacqueline notes that once she set National and Olympic swimming trial times, "The number of schools recruiting me doubled. How fast you are determines who wants you." Thirdly, an athlete must find opportunities for as much exposure as possible. For Sarah and Whitney, this translates into playing on Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) basketball teams and at the Junior Olympics.

For most students, the college process begins during junior year, but many do no more than looking at a few schools online. Most are concerned with the trappings of high school and consider serious college searching to be premature. After students begin the stressful task of applying early to colleges their senior year, recruited athletes are just ending their processes. Reality begins to set in for an athlete during junior year because by this time, she has a solid understanding of the selec-

tion of schools for whom she can possibly play. That year, scholarships, provisions, and discussions between athlete and recruiter begin to narrow, and those who will participate in college sports have a fairly clear idea of what colleges they will attend. Athletes who attend schools similar to Harpeth Hall have another agenda when accepting college offers. Sarah Baker said, "Coming from Harpeth Hall, I want a school with strong academics, not only a strong basketball program." Athletes must also consider the college as a whole, not just its athletic reputation. Caitlin stated that, "The most important thing about the recruiting process is taking the school into consideration. Ask yourself if you would want to be at that school even if you were not doing that sport. Also, have an open mind because each school will have something that draws you there. Go with your gut."

Mrs. Barringer and Mrs. Paine, Harpeth Hall's college counselors, remind the seniors not to be overwhelmed with the college process, and encourage them to try to enjoy it. This message applies to all of the seniors, athletes and non-athletes. All seniors, at one point or another, share Caitlin's sentiments about college when she said, "I am excited and scared at the same time!"

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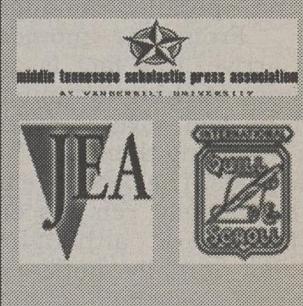
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Confessions of an MBA cheerleader

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While many students wish they could leave their last period classes early Fridays, it is likely that I have already left. Along with seventeen other girls, I am an MBA football cheerleader. In order to build pre-game excitement and encourage a "before-halftime crowd" each home football game is preceded by a 3:00 p.m. pep rally. These generally consist of cheers, dances, announcements and perhaps most importantly, a "class competition" in which a member from each grade is selected to participate.

For someone unaccustomed to this ritual, the male rivalry with its loud boozing or sarcastic remarks may appear brutal; howev-

er, it is all in good fun. After the pep rallies, however, students quickly clear out, leaving the discarded remains of trash on the Quad for the cheerleaders to clean up. Yes, it is our duty as cheerleaders to clean up the competitors' half-chewed marshmallow or spat-out watermelon remains. The boys claim that they have "better things to do."

My English IV teacher and classmates were outraged after hearing about these stories one day. I had never realized that by subjecting ourselves to this servile responsibility, the cheerleaders were also reinforcing the idea that women

"Who wouldn't want to watch a 210 pound senior hit a 60 pound seventh grader with a pie?"

are subordinate to men. It is important to remember that there is a clear difference between being helpful and being inferior.

This should not be confused with the idea that women degrade themselves when they do something for another person, but it most certainly does not mean that women should be expected to assume all responsibilities.

Through my experience as a cheerleader and member a supportive English IV class, I know that it is acceptable and at times necessary to just say no, especially when it comes to cleaning up masticated marshmallow bits at MBA!

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Varsity volleyball team shines in state tournament

Emily Crowell ('05)

Contributing Writer

The varsity volleyball team completed a great run for the State title. Finishing second in the Region after a disappointing loss to rival Father

Ryan, the Bears packed their bags and headed to Murfreesboro for the Division II State Championships.

Led by seniors Maddie "Who's Your Daddy?" Martin ('05) and Margaret "Marge is in Charge" Dodson ('04), the Bears eliminated their opponents one by one, win-



HH Bears are ready to take on the Irish

nning ten straight games and five straight matches on their way to the championship game against local rival, Father Ryan. This would mark the sixth time the Bears had met the Irish during the season. Harpeth Hall had defeated Father Ryan twice in the Father Ryan Invitational, but the Irish were up one match on the Bears, defeating them three matches to two.

Determined to get revenge on the Irish, the

Bears came out strong, backed by a small but loud crowd of brave students and faculty who had made it all the way to Murfrees-

Nonetheless, the fans were dazzled by a great match with many amazing bumps, sets, spikes, kills, and digs by the Harpeth Hall team.

Taylor Parrish ('06) and Maddie Martin were both named to the prestigious All-Tournament Team. Needless to say, the returning players

look forward to seeking revenge on the Irish next season, and with six returning seniors, it is likely that Harpeth Hall will once again make it to the State Championship game.

Summing up the season as a whole, Maddie Martin responded, "We had a rocky start this season, but after many hours of practice and several consecutive weekend tournaments, we continued to improve. We came out with a strong team at State, and even though we didn't take home the State title, I feel like we had a really successful season. I will miss my Bears so much and hopefully they will finally overcome the Irish next year."

boro despite some faulty directions to the Murphy Center.

The Bears won the first game in the best of five series on a kill by Elizabeth Jackson ('06). However, the Irish were not ready to die just yet and came into the second game with a defense that was nearly impossible to get anything past. Thus, the Irish took the second, third, and fourth games of the match to win the championship trophy.

Margaret Behan

Molly McCullough ('05)

Advice from Nelson's knowledge

HH trainer Liz Nelson talks about injuries and diets

Melissa McCord ('05)

Sports Editor



Liz Nelson

How injuries can be prevented:

- Stretch
- Warm-up properly before exercising
- Weight train
- Apply ice after an activity if sore
- Wear sturdy athletic shoes

Common injuries among women:

- Patellar tendonitis
- Inflammation of IT band
- Medial knee pain
- Hip flexor/quad strains

Healthy tips for losing weight:

- Exercise for at least 20 minutes a day (walking, taking stairs instead of elevator, park farther away at the mall)
- The key is to burn off more calories than you take in

The effects of dieting during a sport season:

- If calories are cut then the athlete may not have enough to fuel the exercise
- This can lead to injury, shortening an athlete's sea-

son

- May not be getting enough nutritional value from new dieting method

Long and short term effects of diet pills:

- A lot of the diet pills available are not FDA regulated so you don't know what they'll do to your body in the long run
- Many of the pills curb your appetite, leading to fewer calories and less nutrition for the body

- Pills may work for you in the beginning, but once you get off of them and go back to your regular eating habits

- The goals you wanted to obtain are now ineffective and may lead to more weight gain

Instant replay A review of fall sports

Melissa McCord ('05)

Sports Editor

Cross country



From left to right: Seniors Estee Simpkins, Corinne Hartong, Molly McCullough, Tori Patterson, and Ceci Creagh

1st in Regions, 3rd in State

Seniors: Ceci Creagh, Mary Tom Crozier, Corinne Hartong, Molly McCullough, Tori Patterson, Sarah Rowe, Estee Simpkins, and Morgan Stengel

"It just comes down to the strength and the determination of the individual. It only matters that we grow close through doing it." (Tori Patterson)

Soccer

5th in Regions

Seniors: Katie Gallagher, Caroline Hale, Kathleen Morphis, and Ana Nettles

"The team became so close over the course of the season, and we remain close today." (Caroline Hale)

Volleyball

2nd Regions, 2nd State

Seniors: Maddie Martin and Margaret Dodson

"Volleyball is not a hobby or after school activity so much as a way of life, including social life." (Maddie Martin)

Golf

2nd in Regions, 5th in State

Senior: Mary Lindley Carswell

Regions Runner up
Placed 5th in State Tournament

"We did the best this year then we ever have since I joined the team my freshman year." (Mary Lindley Carswell)

Bowling

5-4 win/loss record

Seniors: Aly Armistead, Bryana Franks, Caroline Hale, and Jennie McCabe

"We've had a great season. We had some really intense and close games and I couldn't ask for a better group of girls to play and eat fries with." (Bryana Franks)

Why isn't it legal?

Dare Oseas ('06)

Guest Editorial

Gay and lesbian couples have been denied their right to marry in the United States for many years. Recently, the State of Massachusetts has realized what grave injustice has been done by ruling that to deny a person marriage due to his sexual orientation is unconstitutional, which it is.

Our country was founded with freedom as one of its ideals, but every day we withhold the freedom to marry whomever we choose from thousands of people. In our constitution it is written that all men are created equal, and today that statement has expanded to include both men and women. If all people are equal in the eyes of the law, why aren't they being treated like so?

Some say that marriage is defined as a union between a man and a woman, but you have to ask where that definition comes from. It comes from the Bible, a religious text. But written in our constitution is the separation of church and state. If our laws were enacted the way they were supposed to be, there is no reason why gay marriage shouldn't be legalized.

Some people say that by changing the definition of marriage to include same sex couples, that we are opening the door to polygamy, incest, and bestiality. Sure, there are people who will argue that if a man can marry another man, then why shouldn't he be able to marry his dog? If they love each other, right? Wrong. Gay marriage would mean that gay and lesbian couples that are in an open, loving, monogamous relationship could

marry and get the same benefits as a straight couple getting married.

It is against the basic rules of our country not to legalize gay marriage. Our government's definition of gay marriage comes from a Christian text, something that is directly contradicting the separation of church and state. Religious bodies can uphold whatever definition



At the capital building in Boston, protesters on both sides of legalizing gay marriage express their opinions. Massachusetts has recently become the only state in the US to allow gay marriage.

of marriage that they want, but the government has a duty to protect the rights of everyone, and currently it is failing. It is against our constitution to stop gay and lesbian couples from marrying. These people are no different from you and me, and yet every day our government is discriminating against them by stopping them from marrying the people whom they love.

Many times I find myself wanting to go with the flow of the 21st century and agree with the liberal mindset that the marriage of homosexuals should be legalized in the United States. Supporting this, however, would contradict my beliefs as a conservative and a Christian. I believe in civil unions between homosexuals, but

The main argument the supporters of gay marriage is that homosexuality is biological and therefore should be accepted by the "enlightened" generation. So far there is no scientific proof that this is true, but biology may have something to do with it. Even if sexual orientation and genetics are related, however, this still makes for a weak argument. And to say that a person is gay because he simply "cannot help it" is dehumanizing because it suggests that he lacks all restraint and has no power of moral choice.

In large part, the basis for my views stems from my religious beliefs. Currently, those who want gay marriage legalized argue that the Bible is ambiguous and contradicts itself on the subject of homosexual relations. To me there is nothing vague in Leviticus 18:23, which describes sodomy as an "abomination," or in 1 Corinthians 6:9, which states, "Neither idolaters, nor adulterers...nor homosexuals [will enter the kingdom of God]." These verses and many others compose the religious basis of my argument.

I do not think that homosexuals are going to hell, or that allowing gay marriage would bring about the Apocalypse. I do, however, understand that a gay lifestyle directly contests God's will, and therefore should not be encouraged by the American government. I believe that it is not within the jurisdiction of the government to forbid unions, but to equalize homosexual union and heterosexual marriage is a big mistake.

The electoral college: "We don't need it any longer"

Grace Wright ('08)

Staff Writer

November almost everyone sat on the edge of their seats, nerves at the mercy of news broadcasters. As a whole-hearted Democrat, I was unhappy with the turn out, but I have to concede that under our current process of electing a President, George W. Bush won fairly and honestly. This opinion is only formed under the assumption that I think the Electoral College is totally fair, which I do not. The current election process was put in

the constitution a long time ago and needs to be updated.

Dr. Cooper, American history and government teacher here at Harpeth Hall, has also lost faith in the Electoral College. He is of the opinion that the system should be abolished because we are "not living in the same country anymore, and we don't need it any longer." Clearly the process is outdated. Unfortunately, Dr. Cooper does not expect any changes in the near future. Even though there is little support left in our country for this system,

the smaller states would only relinquish the Electoral College kicking and screaming, if ever.

Many felt that although they were involved with the political structure, their single voice did not really matter because of the winner-take-all electoral system. Monisha Chakravarthy ('06) rants, "I am officially moving to Ohio...Here in Tennessee, I'm just a statistic... [the Electoral College] seems redundant and really outdated." The votes of the minorities are drowned out in states

that are even the least bit partisan. Our current system of letting the candidate have all of a state's electoral votes if they win the majority of the popular vote also sometimes puts a candidate in office who did not receive the country's popular vote. The 2000 Election, of course, was significant because this happened. Every voice in our population should count.

Though few and far between, some people are in favor of keeping the current Electoral College system. To each her own, but I still keep with my stance

that the system is outdated for today's voting population. With all of the forms of communication we have today, making an informed decision is only the push of a button away. The people should be represented, and by having elections by direct popular vote or splitting up a state's electoral votes based on popular vote percentages, the goal of total representation is more plausible.

Highschooler in the hallway: A look at your opinions

Suzanne Lewis ('07)

Staff Writer



Suzanne Lewis, ('07)

"No because I think our country should keep its foundations and respect the original rights of marriage."

-Abby Rudd, ('05)

Do you think that gay marriage should be legalized?



Aly McCathren, ('06)

"Yes because I think that being gay is not a choice, and people should not be punished for something they cannot control."

-Aly McCathren, ('06)



Annie Tipps, ('07)

"No, but they should be allowed to have civil unions. I'm a strong believer in the fact that marriage is between a man and a woman."

-Annie Tipps, ('07)



Courtney Vick, ('08)

"Yes because everybody should have the right to marriage."

-Courtney Vick, ('08)